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wherein the concentrate has an amount of phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide ranging from 0.01 to 2.5 mol/litre; and

wherein said concentrate can be converted, by dilution, to a ready-to-use bleach-fixing bath.

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27. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 19, wherein said one or more complexing agents is present in an amount from 1 to 200 mmol/l concentrate.
28. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 19, wherein the one or more complexing agents is in an amount of from 5 to 50 mmol/l concentrate. --

See Appendix 1 for the changes. The terms underlined were added to the claims and the strikethrough terms were cancelled from the claims.

Please add the following new claims:

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--30. A one-part photographic bleach-fixing concentrate comprising

a) an iron(III) complex salt,

b) a thiosulphate,

c) a sulphite, a disulphite or a sulphinic acid, and

d) at least one compound comprising a phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide;

wherein the concentrate has an amount of phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide ranging from 0.01 to 2.5 mol/litre; and wherein said concentrate is stored prior to its use for at least five days.

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31. The one-part leach-fixing concentrate according to claim 30, wherein the concentrate is used for regenerating a bleach-fixing bath.

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32. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 30, wherein the concentrate can be converted, by dilution, to a ready-to-use bleach-fixing bath.
33. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 30, wherein said thiosulphate is present in an amount from 0.5 to 5 mol/litre, said sulphite is present in an amount from 0.2 to 4 mol/litre and said Fe(III) complex salt is present in an amount from 0.1 to 1 mol/litre.
- ① 34. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 30, wherein the concentrate has a pH from 4 to 9.
35. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 34, wherein the concentrate has a pH from 5 to 6.5.
36. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 30, which further comprise one or more complexing agents.
37. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 36, wherein said complexing agent is a polycarboxylic acid or a (poly)-hydroxy polycarboxylic acid.
38. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 36, wherein said complexing agent is citric acid.
39. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 33, wherein the amount of amount of phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide is 0.05 to 1 mol/litre.
40. The one-part photographic bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 30, wherein said thiosulphate is sodium thiosulphate, potassium thiosulphate or ammonium thiosulphate.
41. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 36, wherein said one or more complexing agents is present in an amount from 1 to 200 mmol/l concentrate.

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42. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 36, wherein the one or more complexing agents is in an amount of from 5 to 50 mmol/l concentrate.
43. The one-part photographic bleach-fixing concentrate as claimed in claim 30, wherein component d) is at least one compound selected from the group consisting of a phosphate, polyphosphate and polyphosphonate.
44. A one-part photographic bleach-fixing concentrate comprising
- a) an iron(III) complex salt,
 - b) a thiosulphate,
 - c) a sulphite, a disulphite or a sulphinic acid, and
 - d) at least one compound comprising a phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide;
- wherein the concentrate has an amount of phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide sufficient to inhibit crystallization and to form a storage-stable one-part bleach-fixing concentrate; and
- wherein said concentrate can be converted, by dilution, to a ready-to-use bleach fixing bath.
45. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 44, wherein the concentrate has an amount of phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide ranging from 0.01 to 2.5 mol/litre.
46. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 44, wherein the concentrate is stored prior to its use for at least five days.

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47. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 44, wherein the concentrate is used for regenerating a bleach-fixing bath.
48. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 44, wherein said thiosulphate is present in an amount from 0.5 to 5 mol/litre, said sulphite is present in an amount from 0.2 to 4 mol/litre and said Fe(III) complex salt is present in an amount from 0.1 to 1 mol/litre.
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49. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 44, wherein the concentrate has a pH from 4 to 9.
50. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 49, wherein the concentrate has a pH from 5 to 6.5.
51. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 44, which further comprise one or more complexing agents.
52. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 51, wherein said complexing agent is a polycarboxylic acid or a (poly)-hydroxy polycarboxylic acid.
53. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 51, wherein said complexing agent is citric acid.
54. The one-part bleach-fixing concentrate according to claim 45, wherein the amount of amount of phosphate, polyphosphate, polyphosphonate, nitrate or bromide is 0.05 to 1 mol/litre.